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SUBJ: HARTMAN VISIT TO ATHENS

ANKARA FOR THE SECRETARY'S PARTY

1. WHEN I TALKED TO FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS A LITTLE WHILE AGO, HE ASKED IF I HAD ANY NEWS FROM ANKARA. I SAID NO, ONLY PRESS REPORTS THUS FAR--ALTHOUGH I HAD SEEN A FURTHER INDICATION THAT THE SECRETARY WAS PLANNING TO SEND ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN TO ATHENS FOLLOWING HIS VISIT TO ANKARA. BITSIOS SAID FINE, HE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO SEE HARTMAN HERE AND TO PLEASE LET HIM KNOW AS SOON AS I HAD ANY WORD AS TO TIMING SO HE COULD MAKE PLANS TO RECEIVE HIM. I TOLD BITSIOS THAT AS OF NOW I DID NOT THINK IT WOULD BE BEFORE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) ANYWAY.

2. AS DISCUSSED IN BRUSSELS, I OF COURSE STRONGLY FAVOR HARTMAN COMING TO ATHENS AS SOON AS HE CAN AFTER ANKARA (AND OF COURSE STAY WITH US). HOWEVER, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD ASK FOR HIM TO SEE CARAMANLIS--BITSIOS WOULD ALSO NO DOUBT BE PRESENT--AND OFFER TO BRIEF CARAMANLIS ON THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ANKARA. HARTMAN COULD ALSO BRING APPROPRIATE PERSONAL MESSAGES --ALBEIT ORAL--FROM THE SECRETARY FOR BOTH CARAMANLIS AND BITSIOS, AND HAVE A FRANK DISCUSSION ABOUT WHERE WE

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GO FROM HERE. CARAMANLIS MIGHT DECLINE TO SEE HARTMAN

FOR SOME REASON--HE CAN BE VERY AUSTERE AND ALOOF  
ALMOST GAULLIST AT TIMES--AND HE HAS BEEN VERY TOUCHY  
OF LATE ABOUT CHARGES THAT HE IS RUNNING COUNTER TO  
THE WISHES OF THE GREEK PARLIAMENT AND PEOPLE IN BEING  
TOO FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE WITH THE USG.  
HOWEVER, I HAVE HAD TWO INDEPENDENT REPORTS THAT CARA-  
MANLIS WAS TALKING IN COMPLIMENTARY TERMS ABOUT US  
YESTERDAY AS A RESULT OF THE SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH  
BITSIOS IN BRUSSELS AND HIS CURRENT VISIT TO  
ANKARA. IN ANY CASE, I THINK WE SHOULD ASK FOR HARTMAN  
TO SEE HIM AND LET CARAMANLIS MAKE THE DECISION HOW HE WANTS  
TO HANDLE IT.  
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